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HUNGER & COWDERY,

Every Wednesday Morning, at the stand formerly occupied by Maj. J. J. Ullman, corner of Canaris and Water streets.

Terms—Two dollars per annum in advance, two dollars and fifty cents within the year, or three dollars at the expiration of the year.
Advertising at the usual rates.

CARRIAGE MAKING.



W. T. REID & CO. would respectfully inform the citizens of Constantine and St. Joseph county, that they still carry on the CARRIAGE and WAGON MAKING business at their old stand, where they will be happy to attend to all calls in their line. They have the best of workmen in their employ, and feel assured that they can and do turn out as good work as any other establishment of the kind in the western country.

STAGE COACHES repaired on short notice. Repairing done cheap for cash and on short notice. Their shop is No. 2, Mechanics' Row, Second street Constantine.

June 29, 1836. 1lf



BLACKSMITHING.—A. & W. PENLAND, would most respectfully inform the citizens of this village and vicinity, that they continue to carry on the above business in all of its various branches, at their new Shop, No. 3, Mechanics' Row, Constantine, where they hold themselves ready to do every variety of Smithing which may be called for. Those who favor them with their work, may be assured that all orders in their line of business will be promptly executed, as from long experience in their business they flatter themselves that they shall be able to give general satisfaction.

Plows and Axes made to order on short notice.

ANDREW PENLAND, WILLIAM PENLAND.

Constantine, June 29, 1836. 1lf

TEA, COFFEE, ALL-SPICE, PEPPER, GINGER, SALARATUS etc. etc. kept constantly on hand and for sale by

A. E. MASSEY & CO., No. 10, Water-st.

June 29, 1836. 1lf

GLOVES.—An assortment of Ladies' and Gentlemen's GLOVES. Call and examine for yourselves.

W. T. HOUSE & CO., No. 7, Water street.

Constantine, June 29, 1836.

AXES.—SIMMONS' CAST STEEL AXES of approved patterns for sale by

JOHN S. BARRY, No. 10, Water-st.

June 30, 1836. 1lf

BOOTS & SHOES.—A large assortment, comprising Men's Corset Boots, Shoes, and Brogans, Ladies' Morocco, Prunella and Kid Boots and Shoes. Those wishing to purchase will find it to their advantage to call and examine the stock now on hand at the Store of

A. E. MASSEY & CO., No. 10, Southside Water-st., Constantine.

June 29, 1836. 1lf

LIMA AND CONSTANTINE STAGE LINE. will commence running regularly for the season, leaving LIMA on Friday the 15th inst. and CONSTANTINE on Saturday the 16th inst., via WHITE PIGEON. The regular days of running will be, leaving Lima on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays; and Constantine on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, at 8 o'clock, A. M. each day.

Also, from LIMA to SHERMAN, and running in connection with the Chicago Stage Line.

For seats apply to the Stage Offices at Lima or Constantine.

WILLIAM M. CARY, Proprietor.

Lima, July 13, 1836. 2lf

STEAM BOAT CONSTANTINE. Two Shares of Stock in the above Boat can be had by application to

WILLIS T. HOUSE & CO., No. 7, Water-st., Constantine.

June 29, 1836. 1lf

NOTICE.—W. T. HOUSE, would give notice to all those indebted to him, or W. A. & W. T. HOUSE, that his old accounts must be settled up without delay. The Books and Accounts have been put into the hands of Tins CHARLTON Esq. for settlement. Those having unsettled Accounts or Notes standing will please call on the above named gentleman and settle the same immediately.

W. T. HOUSE, Constantine, June 29, 1836. 1lf

CAME into the enclosure of the subscriber on the 25th July inst., a Brown Mare, heavy with foal; six or seven years old. The owner is requested to prove property, pay charges, and take her away. H. HUNTER, Constantine, July 27, 1836. 4lf

CANISTER & KEG POWDER. A superior article, for sale by

W. T. HOUSE & CO., No. 7, Water street.

June 29, 1836.

CABINET MAKING.

CHRISTIAN KUCH would respectfully inform the citizens of Constantine and its vicinity, that he still continues the CABINET MAKING business, in all its various branches. He would be happy to attend to all orders in his line, and begs leave to assure the public that his work shall be turned out in a manner inferior to none in Michigan, in point of elegance of style and durability.

BUREAUS, SECRETARIES, SIDEBOARDS, SOFAS, COUCHES, BOOK CASES, WARDROBE, PIER, CENTRE, CARD and TOILET TABLES, LADIES' WORK TABLES and STANDS, MUSIC STOOLS, etc. etc. made to order on short notice, and out of as good materials as can be found in Michigan. His shop is on Canaris street, two doors from the corner of Water and Canaris streets.

Constantine, June 29, 1836.

STORAGE, FORWARDING & COMMISSION BUSINESS.—WILLIS T. HOUSE & CO. beg leave to inform the public that they have a large and commodious Ware House at Constantine, and are prepared to store and ship goods to order.

Constantine, June 29, 1836.

OWNING ONE HALF OF THE KEEL BOAT CONSTANTINE. they will be prepared to ship to any Port on Lake Michigan, Lake Erie or Lake Ontario, as the owners of freight may choose.

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NEW BOOKS BY CANAL, at STEELE'S Bookstore:

Holland's life of Van Buren, Maltebrun's Geography, Parley's do, Church Palmoody, Batterman's Greek Grammar, Watts and select Hymns, Porter's Analysis, Douglass's Lexington, 3d book of History, Testaments, Greek Testaments, Playfair's Euclid, Adams' Arithmetic, Quarto Bible, Comic Sketch Book, Allan's life of Scott, Poets Arithmetic. Together with a large lot of Miscellaneous Books, for sale wholesale and retail, at New-York prices.

O. G. STEELE, 214 Main st.

Buffalo, June 29, 1836. 1lf

NEW ESTABLISHMENT—PLOW FACTORY.—REID, TERRELL & Co. would state, for the information of the public, that they have entered into a co-partnership, in the PLOW business, and opened a shop in Mechanics' Row, Constantine, for the purpose of Manufacturing and Repairing Ploughs, where they will be glad to receive orders for work in their business. The public are assured that they will give strict attention to their business.

Patrons solicited.

Ploughs WOODEN, of the most approved style. *Handier, Stronger, &c.* kept constantly on hand, so that Old Ploughs can be repaired on short notice; also, repairing of all kinds, done on the most reasonable terms, for Cash.

Farmers are invited to call and examine their Ploughs, and judge for themselves.

ISAAC BENHAM, SAMUEL TESDAL, WILLIAM REID.

Constantine, June 29, 1836. 1lf

HARDWARE AND CUTLERY. A general assortment for sale by

W. T. HOUSE & CO., No. 7, Water-st.

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Farmers Look at This.

PATENT FANNING MILLS. P. E. GROVER would inform the citizens of St. Joseph and adjoining counties, that he is now making at his shop, in Constantine, the best article of FANNING MILLS ever offered for sale in the Western country, of an improved patent, and warranted to do a first rate business. Persons wishing to purchase the above article are invited to call and examine them as he will have them constantly on hand.

P. E. GROVER, Constantine, June 29, 1836. 1lf

LOOKING GLASSES.—The subscribers offer for sale an extensive assortment.

W. T. HOUSE & CO., No. 7, Water street.

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BOOTS & SHOES.—The subscribers have on hand an extensive supply of Boots and Shoes, among which may be found Men's fine Calf, Kip and Brogan Boots and Shoes, Ladies' Kid, Seal, Calf, Morocco and Prunella Boots, Shoes and Slips; also, Children's Morocco and Calfskin Shoes.

As their assortment of Brogans were made to order, and of the best material, they feel confident, saying that Shoes of a better quality were never before offered in this market.

W. T. HOUSE & CO., No. 7, Water street.

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JUST RECEIVED, at the Detroit Bookstore, the following works: Allen Prescott, Winter in the West, Outre-Mer, Bashful Irishman, the Yemassee, the Cavaliers of Virginia, Coleridge's Table Talk, Life of Samuel Dray, Mothers' Hints, &c. &c. June, 1836.

TO FARMERS.—WHEAT, OATS, CORN, and all other kinds of Country Produce will be received in exchange for Goods, by

W. T. HOUSE & CO., No. 7, Water street.

Constantine, June 29, 1836.

JUST RECEIVED per boat Constantine, 4 do. Fitch Forks; 2 do Sythe Snathes; 1 do Cradles and Sythes ready for use; 4 do Grass Sythes; 2 do Cradles do. For sale by

W. T. HOUSE & CO., Constantine, August 3.

MEAT MARKETS at Constantine and White Pigeon. We shall keep constantly on hand and for sale at the above named places, Fresh and salted most of the best quality.

SANDBORN, LADD, & Co. We will also pay the highest cash price for good beef cattle.

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THE YOUNG WIDOW.

Ye bid me mingle in the dance,
And smile among the young and gay—
Ye say that grief will dim my glance,
And turn my raven tresses gray;
I care not, yet I strive to howl
In meekness to my lonely fate—
I dry my tears and smooth my brow,
The while my heart is desolate.

When last I joined the festive throng,
I heard—it seemed my brain to sear—
A stranger breathe the very song
That first we warbled in my ear.
The words, the tune, but ah! that tone
What living lips could imitate?
'Mid laughing crowds I stood, alone,
Unutterably desolate.

I miss him at the evening hearth,
I miss him at the silent meal,
But keenest in the hour of mirth,
My joyless solitude I feel:
But late I saw a happy bride
Smile fondly on her wedded mate,
While I—oh! would that I had died
With him who left me desolate.

Ye speak of wealth—in manum's mart
There's not a single boon I crave;
Gold cannot heal a broken heart,
Nor bribe the unreturning grave:
It cannot fill the vacant seat
Where once my honored husband sat,
Nor still my heart's convulsive beat,
Nor make my home less desolate.

Alas! the base on which we build
Hope's fairest fabric, is but air,
And laughs the heart, when God has willed
To lay his chastening finger there.
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Did never love and hope create;
I bowed before an earthly shrine,
And Heaven has left me desolate.

And yet not so, my soul be calm—
The hand that smiteth will sustain;
Thou hast a helper on whose arm
The mourner never leaned in vain.
O! may that arm the pilgrim guide
By the straight path, and narrow gate,
To where the loved in bliss abide,
And hearts no more are desolate.

WEDDED LOVE.

BY ROBERT WALSH.

We have somewhere seen the doctrine
That love, in the state of courtship, is the true
beautitude of this life; and to be desired, be-
yond any other fond relation, even for a thou-
sand years! The writer of those opinions
could not have been married, or, at least,
not experienced a wedlock even commonly
fortunate, otherwise, his own happiness
would have taught a different and juster
theory.

In the conjugal union, love may lose some
of its vivacity; it may be less vehement or
rapturous; and the imagination, which, dur-
ing courtship, commonly feeds as it were
on nectar and ambrosia, and sports on a bed
of roses; may become comparatively inert
and sterile; but the pleasures of pure,
intense sentiment, and boundless, mutual
confidence, and the excitements of virtuous
and tender love, are infinitely multiplied.

Lord Verulam has truly said, that mar-
riages halves griefs, and doubles joy. It
combines, in fact and transfuses existence
for each party; it blends and identifies
souls, so that to render common to them
their several susceptibilities of gratification
and refinement, it creates new energies, and
generous sympathies; new objects of en-
dearment and reliance; numberless reflect-
ed and reciprocated fervors of reward and
respect.

But what gives it a superior character of
inherent dignity and genuine enjoyment, is
the religious essence peculiar to it; the con-
sciousness of those who are suitably allied
in it, that they have adopted a tie hallowed
by divine sanction, and are fulfilling one of
the noblest ends of existence.

The ecstasies of courtship are dashed by
tears, jealousies, misapprehensions, which
are unknown to wedded partners of sound
and affectionate heart: With them all is
trust and security: their faith is beyond the
sphere of temptation or accident, their ad-
versity, if misfortune come, has consolations
derived from the most exalted sources; from
the invisible and holy world, as well as the
present chequered scene of human action.

The qualified worship of an excellent fel-
low being, natural and delightful as it is,
involves something more rational and elevat-
ed, when the object is a wife or husband,
than when it refers to a mere mistress or
lover. In the first case, it associates itself
with duty, and implies an esteem the more
proper and graceful as accompanied by in-
timate knowledge.

In proportion, however, as marriage is of
a sacred and permanent nature, producing
weighty obligations, and liable to special and
severe cares or calamities, ought it to be
cautiously and deliberately, and piously con-
tracted. It is not to be viewed or antici-
pated as a merely halcyon career, rich as it
often is in smiling prospects and auspicious
events, and serene as it may be rendered in
all that the human creature can control. A
childish penchant, a calculation of conveni-
ence, a momentary caprice, form no war-
rant for it; though they be so frequently
the only incentives.

Such a band requires mutual and dis-
criminating attachment; comprehension of
its good and evil; resignation to all the
chances. But he or she who has the right
intelligence, feeling, and opportunity, and
yet avoids it, yielding to selfishness or
cowardice, sins against the designs of Pro-
vidence, and loses the final rewards of coura-
geous and successful trial.

It was a favorite remark of Lord Lyt-
tton, the younger, that marriage is a lottery,
and that of course, it is as preposterous to
rejoice at a wedding, as it would be to exult
in purchasing a ticket for the Statewheel.

According to the same questionable au-
thority, all epithalamiums are, therefore, at

least premature in their usual strain; the
adventurer in the comical scheme should
ascertain that he has drawn a prize, before
he indulges himself in self gratulation, or
welcomes the greeting of his friends. The
analogy is not, however, exact; because it
is the power of the bridal parties to deter-
mine their own fate, in a material degree.
Life itself might be equally styled a lottery,
looking to the diversity of its chances, and
the uncertainty of its incidents; but it is
nevertheless, a positive blessing with well
constituted minds and healthful frames. So,
likewise is marriage, which should be under-
taken as life is accepted; with stronger ex-
pectation of weal than woe; but with bright
visions and cheerful resolutions; but also,
with a spirit of philosophical or christian
submission to whatever Providence may
ordain to its course. The Greeks made
Hymen descend from Apollo, Urania, or
Calliope. This origin from the fountain of
harmony and light and the two nobles of the
muses, illustrates, or shadows forth the true
character of the espousals over which the
garland god waves his never-dying torch,
and sheds his celestial influence.

Affection for a Mother.—The following
beautiful passage as true as it is beautiful, is
from James' last novel, 'The Gipsy.'

"Round the idea of one's mother, the
mind of a man clings with a fond affection.
It is the first step thought stamped upon our
infant heart, when yet soft and capable of
receiving the most profound impressions,
and all the after feelings of the world are
more or less light in comparison. I do not
know that even in our old age we do not
look back to that feeling as the sweetest.
We have had through life. Our passions and
our willfulness may lead us far from the ob-
ject of our filial loves, we learn to pain her
heart, to oppose her wishes, and to violate
her commands; we may become wild, head-
strong, and angry at her counsels or opposi-
tion, but when death has settled her morient
voice and nothing but calm memory remains
to recapitulate her virtues and good deeds,
affection, like a flower beaten to the ground
by a past storm, raises up her head and
smiles amongst her tears. Round the idea,
as we have said, the mind clings with fond
affection: and even when the earlier period
of our loss forces memory to be silent, fancy
takes the place of remembrance, and twines
the image of the dead parent with a garland
of graces and beauties, and virtues, which
we do not doubt that she possessed."

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From the Knickerbocker.

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And yet not so, my soul be calm—
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MR. VAN BUREN'S LETTER.

From the Jackson (Penn.) Truth Teller.

LOST PRAIRIE, Ark's., 1836.

Mrs. David Crockett,

Dear Madam:—Permit me to introduce myself to you as one of the acquaintances of your much respected husband, Colonel Crockett. With his fate in the fortress of San Antonio, Texas, you are doubtless long since advised. With sincere feelings of sympathy, I regret his untimely loss to your family and self. For if amongst strangers, he constituted the most agreeable companion, he doubtless, to his beloved wife and children must have been a favorite peculiarly prized. In his loss, Freedom has been deprived of one of her bravest sons, in whose bosom philanthropy glowed with as genial warmth as ever animated the heart of an American citizen. When he fell, a soldier died. To bemoan his fate, is to pay a tribute of grateful respect to Nature—he seemed to be her son.

The object of this letter, is to beg that you will accept the watch which accompanies it. You will doubtless know it when you see it. And as it has his name engraved on its surface, it will no doubt be more acceptable to you.

As it will probably be gratifying to you to learn in what way I became possessed of it, I permit me to state, that, last winter, (the precise date not recollected by me,) Colonel Crockett, in company with several other gentlemen, passed through Lost Prairie, on Red River, where I live. The company, excepting the Colonel, who was a little behind, rode up to my house and asked accommodations for the night. My family being so situated, from the indisposition of my wife, that I could not accommodate them, they got quarters at one of my neighbors' houses. The Colonel visited me the next day and spent the day with me. He observed, whilst here, that his funds were getting short and as a means of recruiting them, he must sell something. He proposed to me to exchange watches—he priced his at 30 dollars more than mine which sum I paid him, and we accordingly exchanged.

With his open frankness, his natural honesty of expression, his perfect want of concealment, I could not but be very much pleased. And with a hope that it might be an accommodation to him, I was grat